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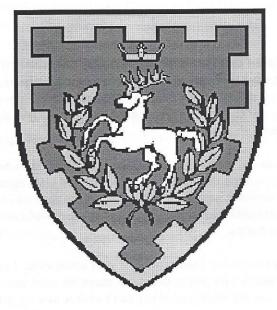
# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

## June

Cavalier Holiday: Barony of Caerthe, June 4, Champions Tourneys: Barony of Dragonsspine, June 4 & 10 Cattle Raid: Canton of Bofharrach, June 16-18 Banner Tourney: Shire of Windkeep, June 24

## July

Glory!!! III: Barony of Unser Hafen, June 30-July 3 Costume Collegium III: Barony of Caerthe, July 22 Caer Galen Defender & Equestrian: Shire of Caer Galen, July 22 Highland Games: Barony of Caerthe/Canton of Hawks Hollow, July 28-31



## **Officers Reports**

#### Seneschal

#### Greetings!

Summer is upon us and so is our big recruiting season. I would like to remind everyone that it is at this time of year that we can act as ambassadors for the SCA in speaking to interested people at fighter practice and at Banner Tourney. If you would like some flyers to keep on hand please see myself or Lady Nesta and I still have a few of the business cards left for those who are interested.

Banner Tourney will be this month and there will be a few changes to the format. We are returning to a called list for heavy and light weapons. I will also be working with Lord Leif to set up a schedule alternating heavy fighting, light fighting and other activities so that all fighters get a break and we can actually have an answer when a bystander asks when the next fighting is. The city has also been kind enough to let us use the Gazebo for free after the event, so we will be holding the revel there. If you have any questions or any ideas for tournaments, or other activities please contact me.

In service, Fekete Noemi

#### Chronicler

#### Greetings

It is with a sad heart that I write my first report as Chronicler. It is my duty to tell all of you that Lady Liadan ingen Lochlainn my predecessor has stepped down. Liadan took on the task of Chronicler some time ago, and has done a great job of it. But it is time for her to step down, so please join me one and all in thanking her for the task well done.

As many of you know, or may not know, I have stepped down as Knight Marshal. I have passed the duties off to my deputy Lord Lief Vagnsson. I took the duties of Knight Marshal almost 2 years ago. I have stepped down so I may follow other interests. I do thank you for the support I have received and ask that you help Lord Lief in his duties.

Now as the new Chronicler, I am in need of your assistance. I need a number of items, first, I need articles for this publication. Ideas for what you would like to see in the Windswept, and Art Work, you really don't wish to see my artwork.

In Service Evan Embleton

# BANNER TOURNEY

The Shire of Windkeep invites all to come help us celebrate at Banner Tourney on June 24th, 2000. It will be held at Lions Park in Cheyenne Wyoming. The Event itself begins at 10:00 am and runs until 3:00 pm. We will be allowed to unload next to our area and will begin set up around 9:00 am.

We will be holding both light and heavy weapons lists, as well as doing dancing demonstrations. The entry fee for the lists is a banner, your own or borrowed, decorative or a specific device, and heraldry does count. There will be prizes for best death, best bereavement, best looking armor, best banner and most chivalrous. We will need help making sure there are enough dancers and if anyone is interested in demonstrating middle eastern dancing please contact me. There will also be an arts and sciences display and we encourage all to bring items to display.

A revel will held afterwards at the Gazebo in the park, starting at 4:00 pm. The site fee is free and the revel fee will be a mere \$3.00. Both the tourney site and the revel site are BONE DRY and all pets must be on leashes and all children under their parents control. All stakes for pavilions must be no longer that 6 inches as they have installed a new sprinkler system.

Directions: Take the Central Avenue exit from I-25 and proceed east to 8th Avenue. Turn right (west) onto 8th Avenue and then turn right again into the park. We will be in the area on the right across from the Botanical Garden. We are allowed to stop on the main road to drop items off up to 9:30 am. after that time we have to park across the street and walk over.

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# Cavalier Holiday





Barony of Caerthe, June 4, A.S. XXXV (2000)

Site opens 9:30a Site Closes 4:00 p Picnic shelter Berkeley Park Denver, CO Fees: \$3.00 Make Checks Payable to "SCA - Caerthe" Site is DAMP (beer only, in non-glass containers)

Come and gambol in the King's Park. Due to a problem with scheduling, Cavalier Holiday will be on Sunday, June 4th this year and not Saturday as originally listed. The traditional cavalier games of lawn bowling (bocci) and croquet are set for those with a competitive spirit. Chilled teas, lemonade, and water will be provided to quench the thirst brought on by such exertions. Also, a table will be laid with fruit, eggs, and simple cakes. Any more extensive picnic faire is up to you. The event is also a gathering of non-perishable food for the Food Bank of the Rockies. By this time of year the shelves are getting empty of bounty that filled them during the winter holidays. If you have any questions about appropriate food donations please give me a call, or they always accept cash.

The site will open for people setting up shade pavilions at 9:30, and the merriment should begin at 11:00. Any court will be at any attending Crown's or Coronet's discretion. Prizes will be given for the games competition, decadent and elegant picnics, best cavalier and non-cavalier, and of course the autocrats whim, and Baronial whim.

Directions: Find I-70 and Federal, go south on Federal to 46th, go west on 46th (past the first park with a lake), to Tennyson (almost to Lakeside Amusement Park), go north on Tennyson, to the park entrance on the west side of the street just before the underpass. Damp Site: beer in non-glass containers.

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# **Champions Tourneys**

Barony of Dragonsspine, June 4 & 10, A.S. XXXV (2000)

Archery Site: Opens at 2 p 6/4 Air Force Academy Archery Range, Colorado Springs, CO Range fee: \$3 per shooter Make checks payable to "SCA - Dragonsspine" Sites are DRY

Plan on fun and festivities June 4 & 10, as Dragonsspine conducts tourneys to select the new Baronial Champions!

We begin on Sunday, June 4, 2 p.m. at the Air Force Academy archery range near Dragonsspine's northern frontier (our usually Summer Sunday practice site). Enter the Academy by the south gate, [Exit 150] bear left and follow the signs about 1.5 miles). Tourneys will be held to pick the barony's new Ranger of the Dragon's Flight (target archery) and Captain of the Dragon's Flight (war archery, if sufficient numbers show interest). Range fee is \$3 per shooter, no charge for spectators. There will be a prize for the highest scoring archer from out of the barony as well! But the champions best have the next Saturday open because...

Saturday, June 10, is the date for the remaining Champions Tournaments, Feast, and Court. Further information regarding this day's activities can be gotten from the Autocrat on Saturday, June 4 at the first half, or via the contact information below.

Both sites are dry, pets must be leashed, and glass containers are prohibited. Holders of the current champion positions are asked to contact the autocrat in advance if unable to attend. For any other information please contact the Autocrat.

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## Cattle Raid

Canton of Bofharrach, June 16-18, A.S. XXXV (2000)

Site opens 12:00p on 6/16 Site closes 5:00p on 6/18 Kielian Property Kersey, Colorado Site fees \$7.00 adults, children 6-12 \$3.00, children under 6 free Make checks payable to "SCA - Bofharrach" Site is Discreetly Wet

We are celebrating 5 years of having the party in the pasture! Come join us for the festiviies as well as celebrate with a good old fashioned Wedding Tournament, Lord Lorcan has equested the hand (again) of Lady Moyra and they are inviting one and all to join them for he fun! The round shield tournament will once again be contested along with fencing, tossng heavy things about, archery, and of course Equestrian activities!! After a day of fighting nd exertion the day will end with the exchange of vows between Moyra and Lorcan as well s a few others and to top it all off Cheesecake and Ice cream! Children will have much to do nder the watchful eye of Lady Galiana and are needed for the wedding so bring them all!

Equestrians activities will take place both days with Authorization and Ikeqc runs on Sunay  $A_{\mu}M$ . Anyone riding will need to pay a \$5.00 fee to help offset the cost of insurance. No entals are available but some loaners will be used. Anyone bringing horses must contact the utocrats and you are responsible for your own method of confinement.

There will be no feast, but a donation midday meal will be available on Saturday. The site s discreetly wet, period containers please. No Dogs or fires allowed. Tikki torches and lanerns in the presence of fire extinguishers. No water on site so please bring your own.

Directions: Take your best route to I-25 and the Greeley Loveland exit and go East on Hwy 4 to Greeley (do not take the business exit, stay on the hyway) when you come to the Hwy 5 and Hwy 34 interchange take the Fort Morgan exit and stay on 34 east approximately 9 iles to the small town of Kersey (stay on the hyway and don't speed, they'll zap ya). Just ast the high school look for Weld County road 56 (big sign), turn left and follow this road o the end and turn left again, follow this road to the end and you will have arrived! There ill be lots of SCA signage to help guide you.

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## Rhys' Phys's

I've often heard people talk about the "game" we play, or that it's just a "game". I've been thinking about this a bit lately and I would like to present a different perspective.

The SCA is not a "game", it is an ongoing, interactive, improvisational theater with a longer run then "Cats". Think of it this way, the King and Queen are the male and female lead. The Peers, Barons and Baronesses and other nobility are the supporting actors and actresses, and the general populace are the extras that give the play its added sense of realism. The officers are the back stage crew that ensures the play runs smoothly and that everybody knows their lines. There is a sense of drama, costuming that beats anything Hollywood has ever done, and there are even occasional special effects, and gory death scenes.

Using this perspective gives us the ability to approach things from a much better direction. Consider that under this theory many of our everyday choices can be expresses as what makes the play better. For example: a newcomer showing up at an event with a white belt on is a error that the costumer's should have caught; however an extra walking around dressed such really doesn't detract from the play. This can be corrected later in rehearsal. A supporting actor addressing the issue to correct it on the spot makes for bad theater. Likewise a fighter walking off the field after receiving a killing blow really detracts from the play, while a spectacular death scene is enjoyed by everyone who views it.

Those actors who have the lead, or are responsible for the supporting roles carry a great deal of responsibility. They are the people who determine whether the play is an award winner or a flop. As bit actors, those who endeavor to put on the best production they can often themselves asked to take on more the important rolls, and usually find that they are having a lot more fun in the process.

Now, with all that having been said, the next time you're in the grocery line and the clerk says "You in a play or sumpin," you can genuinely say "well, as a matter of fact . . ."

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